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PATENT APPLICATION

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Re the Application of

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Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action dated June 4, 2004, the period for response expiring on September 4, 2004 (Saturday, with September 6, 2004, being a Federal Government Holiday), reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the following: